

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

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United States Magistrate Judge

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE USE  
OF A PEN REGISTER DEVICE AND TRAP  
AND TRACE DEVICE FOR TELEPHONE  
NUMBER 712-265-0263

No. 14-PR-2052-DPR  
(UNDER SEAL)

APPLICATION

Randall D. Eggert, Assistant United States Attorney, Western District of Missouri, (hereinafter "Applicant") hereby applies to the Court pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3122, 3123 and 2703(d) for an order authorizing the installation and use of a pen register, a trap and trace device and enhanced caller identification (hereinafter "Pen/Trap") on telephone bearing number 712-265-0263 (hereinafter the "Target Telephone"), including the authorization for the disclosure of subscriber information for the numbers captured by the Pen/Trap. In support of this application, I state the following:

1. Applicant is an "attorney for the Government," as defined in Rule 1(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and therefore, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3122 and 2703(d), may apply for an order authorizing the installation and use of a Pen/Trap.

2. By this application, the Government seeks an order authorizing (A) the installation and use of a Pen/Trap on the Target Telephone and (B) the acquisition of subscriber information related to the use of the Target Telephone.

**(A) PEN REGISTER / TRAP AND TRACE**

3. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123(a)(1), upon an application made under 18 U.S.C. §3122(a)(1) a court “shall enter an ex parte order authorizing the installation and use of a pen register or trap and trace device anywhere within the United States, if the court finds that the attorney for the Government has certified to the court that the information likely to be obtained by such installation and use is relevant to an ongoing investigation.”

4. Installation and use of a pen register will record or decode dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information transmitted from the Target Telephone. The information transmitted from the Target Telephone will include information dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information for “push-to-talk” communications if the cellular device is push-to-talk capable and will include dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information for text messaging communications if the cellular device is text messaging capable. The information will also include records regarding the date, time and duration of calls created by such incoming impulses, for a period of sixty days.

5. Installation and use of a trap and trace device on the Target Telephone will capture and record the incoming electronic or other impulses which identify the originating numbers or other dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information reasonably likely to identify the sources of wire or electronic communications. The information transmitted from the Target Telephone will include information dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information for “push-to-talk” communications if the cellular device is push-to-talk capable and will include dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information for text messaging communications if the

cellular device is text messaging capable. The information will also include records regarding the date, time and duration of calls created by such incoming impulses, for a period of sixty days.

6. A caller identification service is a trap and trace device under 18 U.S.C. § 3127(4); *See United States v. Fregoso*, 60 F.3d 1314, 1320 (8th Cir. 1995). Thus, this order will also direct that AT&T Corporation examine the above-listed telephone number and add enhanced caller identification service to the existing service if it is not presently equipped with the feature.

**(B) SUBSCRIBER INFORMATION**

7. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2703(d), a court may order an electronic communication service to disclose non-content information about a customer or subscriber if the Government “offers specific and articulable facts showing that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the .... records or other information sought are .... relevant and material to an ongoing criminal investigation.”

8. Applicant certifies the Drug Enforcement Administration is conducting a criminal investigation of Kenny Friend, Eric McClanahan, and others as yet unknown, in connection with possible violations of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and 846, that is, distribution, possession with the intent to distribute, and conspiracy to distribute controlled substances. It is believed one or more of the subjects of the investigation are using the Target Telephone, a mobile cellular device issued by AT&T Corporation, used by Eric McClanahan in furtherance of the subject offenses.

9. In support of its request for an order under 18 U.S.C. § 2703(d) directing the furnishing of subscriber information, and based upon discussions with DEA Task Force Officer (TFO) Daniel P. Banasik, Applicant sets forth the following specific and articulable facts showing

there are reasonable grounds to believe the information sought is relevant and material to an ongoing criminal investigation:

a. On August 1, 2014, TFO Daniel P. Banasik received an unsolicited series of text messages from Melody CARPENTER concerning Kenny FRIEND. CARPENTER was a Confidential Informant with the Missouri State Highway Patrol but was de-activated as a confidential informant pursuant to the discovery of her unauthorized illegal activity. She was not informed of her de-activated status in order to preserve the on-going investigation. CARPENTER still contacts law enforcement on an irregular basis but is not directed in any of her activities or requested to assist. It is believed CARPENTER still provides truthful information, but it is limited in scope. It is TFO Banasik's opinion that CARPENTER is cautious in providing law enforcement with the assistance necessary to initiate a prosecutable case in order to maintain her methamphetamine sources, establish an alibi for her association with these subjects, and attempt to appease law enforcement to gain leniency on her outstanding charges.

b. The text messages stated, "Ivr got important info...donett and kenny friend are going to meet the big plug in Las Vegas, they are having a meeting and im thinking picking up a lot or dropping money...for sure meeting him..staying 4 days..," "They left dont know if they r flying, pretty sure they are.this is the biggest plug bringing stuff in and sending it in from California. ..clayton is first name from L.A., supposedly last name is mendez and family runs a lot of that area.," and "I know where they r driving to fed x money, in Bentonville, AR. They wear gloves and everything. ..they r dropping a shitload."

c. Through previous contact with CARPENTER and other intelligence gained in this investigation, officer's interpreted the aforementioned text messages to mean Kenny FRIEND and Donette Davis were traveling to Las Vegas, Nevada, to meet with a major Los Angeles, California based methamphetamine source of supply identified as Clayton MENDEZ. CARPENTER believes FRIEND and DAVIS are intending to deliver a large sum of money or receive a large amount of methamphetamine while there. CARPENTER provided Kenny FRIEND's telephone number as 417-365-2085, and Donette DAVIS' telephone number as 417-365-7884. Clayton MENDEZ was later identified as Clayton J. MENDEZ, Lancaster, California.

d. On August 2, 2014, CARPENTER sent another unsolicited text message to TFO Banasik which stated, "Yes in atlanta...that was from kenny." This text message is believed to mean that Kenny FRIEND was en route to Las Vegas, Nevada, but was currently at the airport in Atlanta. An inquiry by Homeland Security Investigation Special Agent Greg Swearngin revealed Clayton MENDEZ was at the Bellagio Hotel and Casino on August 2, 2014. Also toll analysis on Kenny FRIEND'S telephone indicated FRIEND contacted the Bellagio Hotel and Casino five times on August 2, 2014.

e. Intelligence on Clayton MENDEZ revealed in July and August 2013, MENDEZ met with two undercover Homeland Security Investigations Special Agents and attempted to broker the delivery of fifty pounds of methamphetamine from Manhattan Beach, California, to Kansas City/Springfield, Missouri. MENDEZ told the undercover agents that he represented people in Missouri that were willing to purchase the methamphetamine for \$7,000.00 per pound.

f. On August 2, 2013, MENDEZ flew to Kansas City, Missouri, in preparation to finalize the arrangements and delivery of the methamphetamine. On August 5, 2013, the undercover agents flew to Kansas City, Missouri to facilitate the transactions. During this time MENDEZ provided the undercover agents directions to what he referred to as a "cabin" south of Springfield, Missouri. The location was determined to be 140 Hawthorne Lane, Highlandville, Missouri and a court authorized GPS Locator activated on MENDEZ'S telephone revealed him to be in this area.

g. On August 6, 2013, the date of the scheduled delivery, MENDEZ advised the undercover officers he only had \$100,000.00 and would only be purchasing twenty pounds of methamphetamine. MENDEZ continued and stated he was having difficulty arranging the transaction because the people he was brokering the transaction for were not willing to allow him to take the money from the Springfield area to Kansas City to meet the undercover officers. No suitable arrangement could be made and the transaction did not occur.

h. A telephone toll analysis of the telephone MENDEZ was utilizing to negotiate the fifty pound transaction with the undercover officer indicated MENDEZ'S second most frequently called number was a telephone subscribed to Eric MCCLANAHAN, who will be discussed below. Also on the toll data was a common called number between MENDEZ'S telephone and a telephone seized on October 11, 2013, from a residence in Monett, Missouri, after the controlled delivery of thirty pounds of methamphetamine. The owner of the telephone was not positively identified.

i. On August 20, 2014, Jacqueline Calhoun, the mother of Gary BUTTS, contacted the Drug Enforcement Administration out of concern for her 14 year old grandchild, who is currently residing with her son. Calhoun believes BUTTS is associated with a drug cartel member from Los Angeles, California, Calhoun identified as Clayton MENDEZ. Calhoun stated BUTTS had partnered with Rick Sherwood because BUTTS owes MENDEZ a large drug debt, and BUTTS and Sherwood are distributing large amounts of methamphetamine for MENDEZ in the Springfield area. Calhoun stated in the year 2013, she had rented several cars for BUTTS and Sherwood so they could travel to California and met MENDEZ. Calhoun also stated in 2013, she had received, for BUTTS and Sherwood, several delivery packages from MENDEZ which she believed contained large amounts of methamphetamine. Calhoun stated BUTTS' current telephone number is (417) 241-1442, and stated in the past BUTTS has had many "throw" phones.

j. On September 4, 2014, Special Agent Tim Krisik, Task Force Officer Dan Banasik and Tennessee Highway Patrolman Charles Stewart conducted an interview of Michael JOHNSON regarding his knowledge of Eric MCCLANAHAN. At the time of the interview, JOHNSON was incarcerated in the Jackson County, Tennessee Jail, after a vehicle enforcement stop resulted in the seizure of a small amount of methamphetamine and approximately \$10,000.00.

k. JOHNSON identified his source of supply for methamphetamine as Eric MCCLANAHAN, a resident of the Springfield, Missouri area. JOHNSON confirmed MCCLANAHAN'S identity from a photograph shown to JOHNSON. JOHNSON stated that MCCLANAHAN is originally from California but also has ties to Kansas City,

Missouri. JOHNSON stated he met MCCLANAHAN approximately one year ago through a mutual friend identified as Adam Riley. JOHNSON stated Riley is a distributor for MCCLANAHAN and the introduction was conducted so JOHNSON could purchases methamphetamine directly from MCCLANAHAN.

l. JOHNSON began by purchasing quarter pound quantities of methamphetamine from MCCLANAHAN several times a week but the amount steadily increased. JOHNSON stated that prior to his arrest he was traveling to Springfield and Kansas City, Missouri, two times a week to purchase up to 2 pounds of methamphetamine from MCLANAHAN. JOHNSON was paying \$14,000 per pound. JOHNSON estimated traveling to Springfield, Missouri, thirty to fifty (30-50) times and to Kansas City ten to fifteen (10-15) times to purchase methamphetamine from MCCLANAHAN. JOHNSON continued and stated MCCLANAHAN frequents Harrah's Casino and methamphetamine exchanges frequently occur there. An inquiry with the Missouri State Highway Patrol's Gaming Division revealed MCCLANAHAN frequents Harrah's Casino. JOHNSON stated that MCCLANAHAN is receiving 10 to 12 pounds of methamphetamine per week from Carlos LNU, who currently lives in the Kansas City area.

m. JOHNSON indicated MCCLANAHAN is paid in cash, Wal-Mart MoneyGrams, or Green Dot cards. The Green Dot cards and MoneyGrams are sent to MCCLANAHAN in other people's names, usually associates of MCCLANAHAN'S, including Bonnie AMODIO and Chad BREDE. Several text messages on JOHNSON's telephone, from MCCLANAHAN via 712-265-0263 (the Target Telephone) or telephone



number 913-638-0271, confirmed this statement. In text messages from both the Target Telephone and telephone number 913-638-0271, all photographed from JOHNSON's cellular telephone, JOHNSON is advised to send the Wal-Mart MoneyGrams to Bonnie AMODIO, 417-268-8013; Amber BULLOCK, 417-597-7904; and Chad BREDE, 417-616-9465; JOHNSON also gave MCCLANAHAN a Green Dot card number of 6938468117. JOHNSON has seen MCCALLAHAN with large amounts of U. S. currency on several occasions including in excess of one hundred thousand dollars in early August 2014, in a motel room in Kansas City, Missouri. JOHNSON believes MCCLANAHAN utilizes his drug proceeds to purchase large ticket items or transfers it to his uncle for investment. JOHNSON also stated MCCLANAHAN has a money counter at his residence in Fair Grove, Missouri.

n. JOHNSON then identified several of MCCLANAHAN'S associates. JOHNSON's knowledge of these associates comes from personal observations or direct or indirect information received from MCCLANAHAN. JOHNSON identified Bonnie AMODIO, telephone numbers 417-343-0598, 417-771-4064, 417-496-9925, and 417-268-8013, as MCCLANAHAN'S girlfriend who assists MCCLANAHAN in arranging drug transactions, transportation, distribution, and money collection. JOHNSON stated he has sent money to MCCLANAHAN, via Wal-Mart Money Grams and Green Dot, under AMODIO'S name several times.

o. JOHNSON described Chad BREDE, telephone number 417-616-9465, as MCCLANAHAN'S "right hand man." JOHNSON indicated BREDE does everything for MCCLANAHAN including transportation, money collection, distribution, or any other

task MCCLANAHAN requires. JOHNSON stated he has sent money to MCCLANAHAN, via Wal-Mart MoneyGram and Green Dot, under BREDE'S name on several occasions.

p. JOHNSON identified Crystal CULBERTSON, telephone number 417-987-9932, as a lower level distributor and who rents hotel rooms, usually in her or a friend's name, for MCCLANAHAN.

q. JOHNSON then stated an individual known only to JOHNSON as Kenny, telephone number and description unknown but is from Springfield, Missouri, is one of MCCLANAHAN'S main distributors. JOHNSON believes Kenny is receiving up to four pounds of methamphetamine from MCCLANAHAN a week, usually in two pound shipments. Through toll analysis Kenny is believed to be Kenny FRIEND.

r. JOHNSON stated MCCLANAHAN utilizes cellular telephones, both voice and text messaging, to conduct and coordinate his drug organization. JOHNSON stated MCCLANAHAN has numerous telephone numbers at his disposal and reuses these numbers. JOHNSON then provided nine telephone numbers he had stored in his telephone for MCCLANAHAN. Telephone number 913-638-0271 and the Target Telephone of 712-265-0263 are the two telephone numbers currently being used by MCCLANAHAN, based upon JOHNSON's statements to TFO Banasik. JOHNSON also provided the names of several other associates and distributors for MCCLANAHAN but they are not mentioned in this affidavit.

s. Telephone toll analysis from Target Telephone indicated the Target Telephone has been in contact with telephones attributed to FRIEND, DAVIS, BREDE, and AMODIO.

t. In June 2014, a Missouri State Highway Patrol Confidential Informant attempted to purchase two ounces of methamphetamine from Crystal CULBERTSON but the transaction did not occur. On September 12, 2014, the Confidential Source sent Missouri State Highway Patrol Corporal Wes Collins the following text message, "I saw crystal last night. She stopped by the car lot after hours to talk. I wasn't given much warning or I would have notified you. I was able to record our conversation with my ipod though. She was there for a couple of hours and talked alot. She told me about Eric McClanahan .....She's still selling for Eric from what I gather. I know she can still get weight. Do you want me to try and do another buy or maybe get introduced to Eric and get a little deeper in their circle?" During a later conversation the confidential source provided CULBERTSON'S telephone number as 417-987-9932

u. On September 10, 2014, a court authorized Title III Wire Intercept was activated on Melody CARPENTER'S telephone. Through several intercepted calls it apparent Kenny FRIEND is one on CARPENTER'S source of supply and CARPENTER discusses drug related business with FRIEND over telephone number 417-365-2085.

10. Based upon the above facts, and pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3127, 2703(c)(1)(B), 2703(c)(2), and 2703(d), because there are reasonable grounds to believe such information is relevant and material to an ongoing criminal investigation, Applicant requests AT&T Corporation, and any other person or entity providing wire or electronic communications service in the United

States whose assistance may facilitate the execution of the order, be ordered to supply the following subscriber information: (A) name; (B) address; (C) the billing names and addresses (if different); and (D) telephone or instrument number or other subscriber number or identity, including any temporarily assigned network address of a subscriber, for published, non-published, or unlisted dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information captured by the pen register on the Target Telephone, and for published, non-published, or unlisted dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information reasonably likely to identify the source of a wire or electronic communication transmitted to the Target Telephone as captured by the trap and trace device on the Target Telephone, upon oral or written demand by agents of the DEA.

11. In accordance with Title 18 U.S.C. § 3121(c), Applicant has informed the DEA it shall use technology reasonably available to it to restrict the recording or decoding of electronic or other impulses to the dialing, routing, addressing and signaling information utilized in the processing and transmitting of wire or electronic communications so as not to include the contents of any wire or electronic communication.

12. Because the assistance of AT&T Corporation will be necessary to accomplish the objectives of the requested order, Applicant further requests the order direct AT&T Corporation to furnish information, facilities, and technical assistance necessary to accomplish the installation of the Pen/Trap, including installation and operation of the devices unobtrusively and with a minimum of disruption of normal service. AT&T Corporation shall be compensated by DEA for reasonable expenses incurred in providing such facilities and assistance in furtherance of the order.

13. It is further requested this Court's order apply to any changed cellular telephone number subsequently assigned to an instrument bearing the same cellular device as the Target

Telephone, or any changed cellular device subsequently assigned to the same telephone number as the Target Telephone, or any additional changed telephone number(s) and/or cellular device(s), whether the changes occur consecutively or simultaneously, listed to the same subscriber and wireless telephone account number as the Target Telephone within the 60-day period authorized by this order.

14. Applicant further requests the Court direct the local, long distance, and wireless carriers listed in the order, and any other person or entity providing wire or electronic communication service in the United States whose assistance is used to facilitate the execution of the order, to notify special agents of the DEA, upon oral or written request, of any and all changes (including additions, deletions, and transfers) in service regarding the Target Telephone, to include telephone numbers and subscriber information (published and non-published) associated with these service changes.

15. Applicant further requests, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123(d), the Court direct the local, long distance and wireless carriers listed in the proposed order, and any other local, long distance or wireless carrier that is obligated by the order to provide assistance to the DEA not to disclose in any manner, directly or indirectly, by any action or inaction, to the listed subscriber(s) for the Target Telephone, the subscriber of the incoming calls to or outgoing calls from the Target Telephone, the occupant(s) of said premises, or to any other person, the existence of the Application, the resulting court order, in full or redacted form, or the investigation for any reason, except as required to execute the order, unless or until ordered by this Court. Applicant further requests the order direct AT&T Corporation to take all necessary steps to provide access to enhanced caller identification to the DEA and to take all steps necessary to ensure the addition of

enhanced caller identification is not reflected on the customer's bill or otherwise disclosed to the customer.

WHEREFORE, IT IS REQUESTED this Court enter an ex parte order for a period of sixty (60) days, commencing upon the date of installation of the Pen/Trap, authorizing the installation and use of a Pen/Trap to collect the dialing, routing, addressing, and signaling information (including date and time) associated with communications to and/or from the Target Telephone.

IT IS FURTHER REQUESTED the order authorize agents of the DEA to acquire, during the same 60-day period, subscriber information for the numbers captured by the pen register and trap and trace.

IT IS FURTHER REQUESTED the order direct the AT&T Corporation to furnish the DEA forthwith all information, facilities and technical assistance necessary to effectuate the order unobtrusively and with minimum interference to the services presently accorded the user of the Target Telephone.

IT IS FURTHER REQUESTED this Application and the anticipated order of this Court be filed under seal, and the Court direct AT&T Corporation not to disclose to any person the existence of this Application, the resulting order, or the investigation for any reason, except as required to execute the order, unless or until ordered otherwise by this Court.

I declare the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my belief and knowledge.

Executed on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

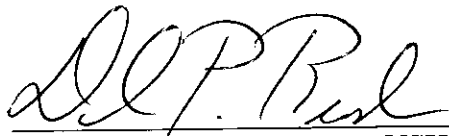
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Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence at Springfield, Missouri, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

  
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Western District of Missouri